



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 158

LCO No. 903

Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Children

Introduced by:

SEN. DEBICELLA, 21st Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE REDUCTION OF CHILD POVERTY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 That the sum of five million dollars be appropriated to the
2 Department of Social Services, from the General Fund, for the fiscal
3 year ending June 30, 2010, for grants to private and community
4 organizations for the provision of any of the following programs
5 targeting lower income families: (1) Work readiness for young parents;
6 (2) employment search training and services; (3) promotion of positive
7 father involvement; (4) adolescent pregnancy reduction; and (5)
8 financial literacy. It is proposed that the department use results-based
9 metrics to evaluate the success of each program and that grants to
10 successful programs be renewed for two years.

Statement of Purpose:

To provide programs and services to reduce child poverty.